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WINK'S WINK AT LAW BREAKING WINKS OUT

WINK, Texas, Dec. 21.—Wink's "white way" was winked out. Federal prohibition agents and Texas Rangers have placed the lid on Wink's "whoopie" and what few members of the underworld remained in this mushroom oil boom town in the midst of the Winkler County said hills stayed under cover.

Wink, a few days ago, was a typical oil town. Dance halls ran all night. Liquor flowed freely. The gangsters on their trail all booms piled their various trades with no thought of arrest.

Then P. C. "Denver Blackie" Burcham disappeared. He was one of the town's many colorful characters. After a widespread man-hunt "Denver Blackie" was found "twenty miles from nowhere," almost dead from exposure and a beating. It was noticed about the saloons and dance halls that "Denver" had tried to hijack a load of liquor from Juarez, Mexico. What ever happened, Blackie is in jail along with three of his partners. They are held without bond for robbery with firearms, a capital offense in Texas.

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EXPLOSIONS OF GAS MAINS CONTINUE AS MENACE IN LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Additional explosions of gas mains in the west end of central London district early today did further damage and endangered the foundations of buildings in the district.

Seventeen persons, including seven who were gassed, were injured in the explosions which began yesterday and continued intermittently for twenty hours after the first main burst. An explosion of an electric dynamo on which repairmen were working in a man-hole caused the first main to explode.

Late yesterday, officials announced that all mains had been sealed, but another of the storage tanks beneath the streets burst into flames early today. It was feared that other tanks or mains might explode. The flame from the explosions shot fifty feet into the air at times and firemen laid hose and wheeled large quantities of sand into the area as a precautionary measure.

Throughout the night, the district—end of the busiest traffic centers of the city—was paralyzed. For more than a mile the streets were shuttled or bulged as though there had been an earthquake.

Storekeepers and those living in the district who had been ordered to evacuate when it was seen that buildings might collapse, mingled throughout the night with hundreds of persons who came to view the havoc. Workmen with gas masks made every effort to stop the flow of gas which leaked from the mains and threatened to explode if it came in contact with any light.

The gas fumes could be smelled for many blocks.

TENOR DESCENDANT OF EMERSON TO WED

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Richard Bold, great grandson of Ralph Waldo Emerson, the poet, and who is a tenor in Earl Carroll's "Vandies," and Miss Rae Gardner, of Albany, N. Y., will be married in Greenwich, Conn., Sunday, Dec. 23, it was announced today.

Bold's father is the late Judge John Bold, former county judge of Cleveland, O., grandson of Emerson. Judge Bold's mother, now living in Cleveland is the former Lucy Emerson.

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LONDON, Dec. 21.—Continued progress by King George today caused a widespread belief that he has "turned the corner" and may now be definitely on the way toward ultimate recovery.

The statement of five of his physicians that his progress is now established on a more firm basis has brought a feeling of great public optimism.

It was officially said, however, that the physicians still do not have complete confidence in the king's condition, since a quick setback might be caused by the weakness because of strain on the king's heart and the exhausted state of his constitution after more than a month's illness.

A bulletin issued by King George's physicians shortly before noon today said:

"The king had a restful night. There is no appreciable change to be noted."

"Stanley Hewett," "Hugh Rigby," "Dawson of Penn."

The bulletin was timed 11:30 a. m.

WATCHMAN KILLED
SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 21.—Adam Powell, 60, watchman for the C. C. C. and St. L. here, was killed by a train last night as he was flagging automobiles.

In Hoover Cabinet?



Mrs. Raymond Robins, of Chicago, who, it is rumored, will be named a member of the Hoover cabinet either as head of a new department, that of education and public welfare, or as secretary of labor.

DURANT COMMITTEE REVEALS 187 FAVOR DEATH FOR DRINKERS

Show 23,230 Suggest
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Amendment

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—There are at least 187 Americans who believe a person should be executed for violation of the eighteenth amendment.

That was revealed today when the committee to select the winner of the Durant prohibition enforcement prize, issued a tally sheet showing the general trend of methods advocated by persons who submitted plans in an effort to win the \$30,000 in prizes offered by W. C. Durant.

Announcement of the winner of the Grand prize of \$25,000 will be made on Christmas Day.

It was announced that 23,230 persons submitted plans, representing every state in the union and every territorial possession.

Government manufacture and sale of liquor was advocated by 1,650 persons.

Among the other remedies suggested and the number of persons advocating them were:

Use the army and navy—1,171. Appoint citizens' committees for enforcement—239. Institute a spy system—679. Amend the eighteenth amendment—418.

Repeat the eighteenth amendment—150. Change the Volstead act to allow light wines and beer—400. Pass a new panicle law—114. Make home brewing a crime—240.

Make violation treason—131. Control clubs and parties—173. Deprive foreign embassies of liquor privileges—128. Church training—1,092. Use of slogans—528. Ganda—729.

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WALDORF-ASTORIA PASSES

Famous Hostelry, Which Played Host To Royalty,
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NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The Waldorf-Astoria, one of the famous hostels of all time, will be wrecked next summer to make way for an office building.

Announcement was made that the hotel and its valuable site at 33rd Street and Fifth Avenue, had been sold to the Bethlehem Engineering Corporation by the present owners, The Waldorf-Astoria Realty Company.

No price was given, but it was reliably reported as being somewhere near \$20,000,000.

ACTION BRINGS END TO LONG STRUGGLE; TO CONSTRUCT DAM

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Coolidge signed the Boulder Dam bill at 10:20 o'clock today.

With this act the famous measure carrying \$165,000,000 became a law.

Under it there will be construction of a giant dam on the Colorado to water the valleys of the far southwest, control floods and create power.

The bill provides for construction of a 550 foot dam at either Black or Boulder canyon in the Colorado River, as an irrigation, flood control and hydro-electric project.

Signature of the bill by President Coolidge ends a fight which has proceeded in congress for eight years.

Arizona has been the principal opponent of the legislation, claiming that California would receive more than a fair share of the benefits at the expense of states further up the river.

By terms of the bill, the secretary of interior is given authority to proceed with construction of the dam as soon as he obtains estimates for sale of water and hydro-electric power rights sufficient to assure amortization in fifty years and as soon after a period of six months as six interested states ratify the Colorado River compact.

This compact provides for distribution of water among the seven states which adjoin the river.

The financial plan upon which the bill is based is that sale of water for irrigation and domestic use and of hydro-electric water power or of water power rights will pay the entire cost of the project.

The authorized cost is \$165,000,000 including the dam, hydro-electric plant and all-American canal, which will carry water into California.

A secretary of interior is given the option of building the hydro-electric plant himself and selling power at the switch board, building the plant and leasing it by units, or leasing the power rights leaving it to the private company a state or a municipality to build and operate the plant.

This bill authorizes expenditure of \$165,000,000 and requires that special appropriation bills be passed for the actual outlay of funds.

BATTLE IN SENATE OVER TWO BILLS TO RESUME JANUARY 3

Christmas Armistice
Halts Fight Over
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WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—A Christmas armistice prevailed in congress today. But adherents of the anti-war treaty and proponents of the naval cruiser bill were glaring across the senate aisles ready to resume their fight over precedence on the measures as soon as they come up again, January 3.

Odds and ends of the legislative calendar, such as houses are being cleaned up in the meantime, preparatory to adjourning for the Christmas recess tomorrow. Many senators and representatives are departing for their homes.

When the senate reconvenes, Chairman Borah of the foreign relations committee will seek to force consideration of the treaty by side tracking the navy bill for that purpose.

The navy bill leaders intend to fight for preservation of their measure in the prior position. Senate leaders hoped to spend the remaining time before adjournment on some 808 bills which have accumulated on the calendar during the two weeks of the session. The bills had its calendar fairly well cleaned up and leaders planned only to meet and adjourn today and tomorrow, with only legislative action.

OHIO IN GRIP OF COLD WAVE

Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia were in the grip of an intense cold wave today, but few fatalities were reported.

The major fatality occurred at Huron, O., where an alarm pilot, becoming confused in a snow squall, was killed.

The Great Lakes area was buffeted by stiff winds and snow whipped off the lakes.

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It is his belief, it was understood, that county and municipal officers should be charged with enforcement and it will be Beetham's aim, it was said, to obtain local co-operation.

It was said on Beetham's behalf that he expects to accomplish two things:

1. Eliminate fee-collecting raiders, and
2. Reduce the cost of state enforcement.

COOPERS FORM NEW REALTY COMPANY

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TEACHERS TO MEET

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 21.—The Ohio State Teachers' Association will hold its mid-winter meeting here Dec. 27 and 28.

WALDORF-ASTORIA PASSES

Famous Hostelry, Which Played Host To Royalty, Will Make Way For Office Building.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The Waldorf-Astoria, one of the famous hostels of all time, will be wrecked next summer to make way for an office building.

Announcement was made that the hotel and its valuable site at 23rd Street and Fifth Avenue, had been sold to the Bethlehem Engineering Corporation by the present owners, The Waldorf-Astoria Realty Company.

No price was given, but it was reliably reported as being somewhere near \$20,000,000.

The passing of the Waldorf-Astoria will recall what a prominent part the hotel had in the shaping of social life in New York. In reality, it is two hotels in one. The Waldorf was built in 1853 by William Waldorf Astor. Four years later John Jacob Astor erected a seventeenth-story addition, and the name of the hotel was changed to The Waldorf-Astoria.

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Every effort was made to increase the comfort of guests. When ping-pong became a fad, tables for the game were installed; free billiard tables were put in and the first Monday morning musicale was held in one of the ballrooms.

Among prominent Americans who made their New York home there were Charles M. Schwab and Elbert H. Gary. The purchasers announced the new building to be erected will be fifty stories high.

In Hoover Cabinet?



Mrs. Raymond Robins, of Chicago, who, it is rumored, will be named a member of the Hoover cabinet either as head of a new department, that of education and public welfare, or as secretary of labor.

DURANT COMMITTEE REVEALS 187 FAVOR DEATH FOR DRINKERS

Show 23,230 Suggest
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NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—There are at least 187 Americans who believe a person should be executed for violation of the eighteenth amendment.

That was revealed today when the committee to select the winner of the Durant prohibition enforcement prize, issued a tally sheet showing the general trend of methods advocated by persons who submitted plans in an effort to win the \$30,000 in prizes offered by W. C. Durant.

Announcement of the winner of the Grand prize of \$25,000 will be made on Christmas Day.

It was announced that 23,230 persons submitted plans, requiring every state in the union and every territorial possession.

Government manufacture and sale of liquor was advocated by 1,050 persons.

Among the other remedies suggested and the number of persons advocating them were:

- Use the army and navy—1,171.
- Appoint citizens' committees for enforcement—239.
- Institute a spy system—679.
- Amend the eighteenth amendment—418.
- Repeal the eighteenth amendment—150.
- Change the Volstead act to allow light wines and beer—400.
- Pass a new prohibition law—114.
- Make home brewing a crime—240.
- Make violation treason—121.
- Control clubs and parties—173.
- Deprive foreign embassies of liquor privileges—128.
- Church training—1,092.
- Use of slogans—528.
- Gangs—729.
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- Larger appropriations and larger dry forces—1,094.
- Give prohibition cases precedence in courts—48.
- Arrest rich as well as poor—623.
- Search all airports—40.
- Finest consumer equally with seller—1,588.
- Compel consumer to tell source of liquor—299.
- Abolish poverty—29.

BATTLE IN SENATE OVER TWO BILLS TO RESUME JANUARY 3

Christmas Armistice
Halts Fight Over
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WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 21.—A Christmas armistice prevailed in congress today. But adherence of the anti-war treaty and perpetuation of the naval cruiser bill were glaring across their fight over precedence on the measures as soon as they come up again, January 2.

Odds and ends of the legislative calendar of both houses are being cleaned up in the meantime, preparatory to adjourning for the Christmas recess tomorrow. Many senators and representatives are departing for their homes.

When the senate reconvenes, Chairman Borah of the foreign relations committee will seek to force consideration of the treaty by side tracking the navy bill for that purpose.

The navy bill leaders intend to fight for preservation of their measure in the prior position.

Senate leaders hope to spend the remaining time before adjournment on some 808 bills which have accumulated on the calendar during the two weeks of the session. The house had its calendar fairly well cleaned up and leaders there planned only to meet and adjourn today and tomorrow, with only legislative action.

OHIO IN GRIP OF COLD WAVE

Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia were in the grip of an intense cold wave today, but few fatalities were reported.

The major fatality occurred at Huron, O., where an airmail pilot, becoming confused in a snow squall, was killed.

The Great Lakes area was buffeted by stiff winds and snow whipped off the lakes.

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Although clear skies prevailed, it was bitterly cold in central and southern Ohio and in the area where the states of Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia converge.

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"He forgot his troubles; and began living his part. He did this so well, little children stopped by to kiss him.

"This warmth revived old recollections. And on the second day, he came to the office and told his real story. He gave us his real name; and that of his children.

"Quick contact was made. It was found that one of the sons was an Ohio banker; the other a theology student. The daughter had married a physician. All were of excellent means and happy.

"The family was reunited. The man restored to his place in society. Yet each year that old man, now worth nearly one-third of a million dollars, comes out and re-plays his role as street corner Santa Claus—coming to New York on alternate years to have his old stand; and serving the other time in a large Ohio city.

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RAISINS Sunmaid Seeded or 3 pkgs. seedless 23c Country Club, 4 pkgs. 23c.

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DATES, imported bulk lb. 10c pitted 10 oz. pkg. 19c

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Pork Loins SMALL, HALF OR WHOLE, lb. 18c

OYSTERS FRESH BULK, PER PINT 38c

CELERY, 2 large, crisp stalks 19c

ORANGES Florida 200 size 26c, 176 size, doz. 250 size, doz. 19c; Navel 176 size, doz. 43c; 216 size, 37c; Tangerines, 144 size, doz. 37c. 39c

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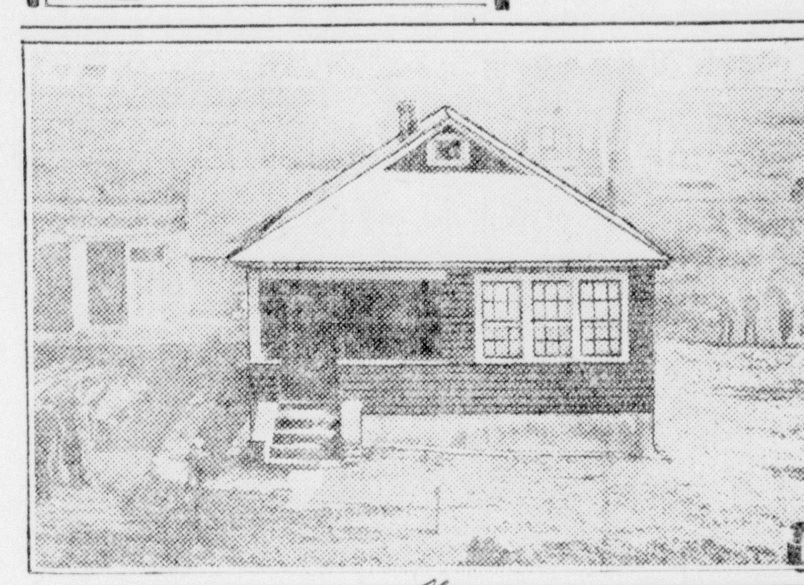
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Too much credit cannot be given one who thus has devoted almost her entire life to the welfare of humanity. Miss Coffeen began teaching when a mere girl—has seen generations come and generations go, but never faltered in the great undertaking which was destined to blossom into the abundant harvest which is now manifested in the lives of hundreds whom she instructed. Our instructor was principal of the local schools for five years. She is now, at the age of eighty-three, a teacher in the Covington schools, and bears the proud distinction of being the oldest active school teacher in the United States. As a mark of respect to our former benefactor, we suggest that all her old pupils send her a Christmas or a New Year's card. We feel that it would be only right and just to remember her in this way.

Oliver Watson.

ACCUSE DRY MAYOR OF BEING DRUNK

GLOUCESTER, O., Dec. 21.—Residents of this little Athens County town were divided into two camps today:

1. Those who believe that Constable Charles Darling did his duty when he arrested Mayor Hugh Gormley, 61, on a charge of intoxication Sunday night.

2. Those who believe that Gormley's arrest was a plot to embarrass him by his political enemies still are rankled over the fact that Gormley won the last election by one vote and the fact that he "closed the lid" on the town last week.

Mayor Gormley, who has held the helm as mayor for twenty-eight years, missing only three terms since 1895, declared today that he is fully convinced that Constable Darling and Marshal Henry Williams, who arrested him, engineered a "frame-up."

This is denied by Darling and Williams who say that Mayor Gormley was "quite under the weather."

Gormley was a member of the Democratic national convention which nominated William Jennings Bryan at Chicago in 1895.

KILLED BY TRAIN

MARION, Dec. 21.—Zeke Brown, 78, prominent Marion County farmer, was killed yesterday when his automobile was struck by a Pennsylvania freight train at a crossing near here.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER

ORANGES—Sweet and juicy—California and Floridas.
EXTRA FANCY GRAPES—Red and White.
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FUNERAL SERVICES FOR JOHN SIMISON MONDAY AFTERNOON

Funeral services for John A. Simison, 62, well known Xenian, who died at his home on Dayton Ave., Thursday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock, will be held at the Masonic Temple Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with burial in Woodland Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Simison home, any time Sunday, Mr. Simison's death followed a long illness. He was for a number of years connected with the Xenia Shoe Manufacturing Co., for a time operated a shoe repair shop and tire shop here and in recent years was employed as ticket agent in the Xenia office of the Dayton and Xenia Traction Co.

He was a member of the three Xenia Masonic bodies, the Blue Lodge, Chapter and Council, and of the Scottish Rite and Shrine of the First M. E. Church.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Orla M. Simison, and the following children: John A. Simison, Jr., and Jennings of this city; Mrs. Harry McCuddy, Mrs. Ruth Fisher and Mrs. Elsie Browne of Los Angeles, Cal. Another daughter, Eleanor, died two years ago.

Three sisters, Mrs. Ralph Heaton, Mrs. Ralph Quinn, and Mrs. Leonard Jones of this city and one brother, Leon Simison, Dayton, also survive.

FOUR MASSES TO BE SAID ON CHRISTMAS

Seasonal greetings are extended to members of the congregation of St. Bridget Church by the pastor, the Rev. David Powers, in his annual Christmas message received by parishioners this week.

The Rev. Father Power reminds his congregation of the spiritual significance of the celebration of Christmas as the birthday of Christ.

The message announces that four masses will be celebrated at the church Christmas morning, with the first mass a high mass at 5 o'clock in the morning. Low masses will follow at 7 and at 8 o'clock and the last service will be high mass and benediction at 9:30 o'clock.

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But I love him best of all.

For his song is all of the joy of life,
And we in the mad, spring weather,
We, too, have listened till he sang
Our hearts and lips together.

—William E. Henley (1849-1903)



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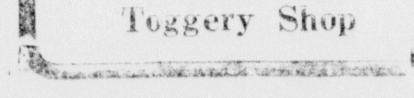
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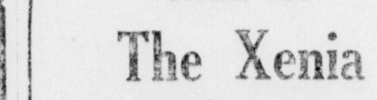
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The members held their annual exchange of Christmas gifts and a delightful evening was enjoyed.

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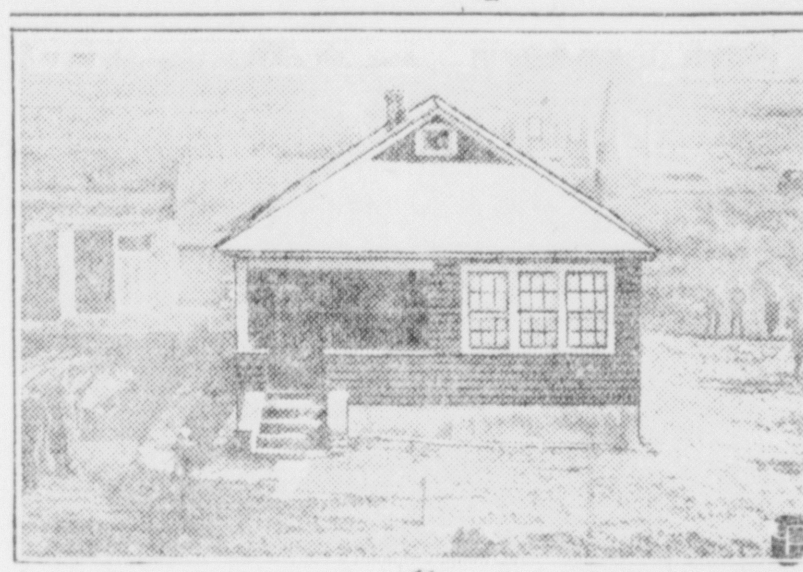
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But suddenly the police were stumped. Parents of the victims turned up and identified them as man and wife. "Ails spiked the passion angle—for the couple, happily married for two years, were expecting a baby within a short time.

Diabolic Crime
A new formula had to be sought and this was soon found in a hasty reference to neighboring court records. As a result, the police are now working on one of the most diabolic murder cases ever committed in this section.

To keep a woman witness from telling a story in court, a gang of the underworld killed her. To keep her husband from appearing, they riddled him to bits.

By thus pyramiding crime, the guilty hoped to evade punishment. But to go back to the beginning: Last July a gang of four men tried to hold up a shoe store in New York City. A shooting resulted, and one of the bandits was caught, tried and sentenced to twenty-five years in the state penitentiary.

The other three were due for trial, but had their day in court adjourned for a week. Among the witnesses to appear against them were Soro Graziano, a 22-year-old taxi driver, and his wife, Mary, 18, an expectant mother.

Warning had been issued that they had better keep their mouths shut. But the Grazianos appeared unafraid.

So a few nights before the postponed trial, they were enticed from their home in Brooklyn, and were "taken for a ride."

Victims Helpless
What thoughts passed through the husband's mind as he realized his wife's predicament, and knew his own helplessness, none will ever know.

But eventually their captors stored the auto near an old sand pit here. They led the victims to

the bungalow near which the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Graziano were found.

BELLBROOK

A few days ago we received a letter from Miss Olive E. Coffeen, former principal of the Bellbrook High School, who is now located in Cosington, Ind. It cannot be otherwise than a source of joy to thousands of her former pupils to learn that she is enjoying good health, and is still engaged in that noble profession which has been followed by her with little or no interruption for more than sixty years.

Too much credit cannot be given one who thus has devoted almost her entire life to the welfare of humanity. Miss Coffeen began teaching when a mere girl—has seen generations come and generations go, but never faltered in the great undertaking which was destined to blossom into the abundant harvest which is now manifested in the lives of hundreds whom she instructed. Our instructor was principal of the local schools for five years. She is now, at the age of eighty-three, a teacher in the Cosington schools, and bears the proud distinction of being the oldest active school teacher in the United States. As a mark of respect to our former benefactor, we suggest that all her old pupils send her a Christmas or a New Year's card. We feel that it would be only right and just to remember her in this way.

Oliver Watson.

ACCUSE DRY MAYOR OF BEING DRUNK

GLOUCESTER, O., Dec. 21.—Residents of this little Athens County town were divided into two camps today:

1. Those who believe that Constable Charles Darling did his duty when he arrested Mayor Hugh Gormley, 61, on a charge of intoxication Sunday night.

2. Those who believe that Gormley's arrest was a plot to embarrass him by his political enemies still are ranked over the fact that Gormley won the last election by one vote and the fact that he "closed the lid" on the town last week.

Mayor Gormley, who has held the helm as mayor for twenty-eight years, missing only three terms since 1895, declared today that he is fully convinced that Constable Darling and Marshal Henry Williams, who arrested him, engineered a "frame-up."

This is denied by Darling and Williams who say that Mayor Gormley was "quite under the weather."

Gormley was a member of the Democratic national convention which nominated William Jennings Bryan at Chicago in 1896.

KILLED BY TRAIN

MARION, Dec. 21.—Zeke Brown, 78, prominent Marion County farmer, was killed yesterday when his automobile was struck by a Pennsylvania freight train at a crossing near here.

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CONGRESS TODAY

Senate:
Instantly commerce committee continues hearings on three nominations to the interstate commerce commission.
Military affairs committee considers calendar bills.
House:
Meets to take up routine business.
Foreign affairs committee considers calendar simplification resolution.

YOUTH ARRESTED ON THEFT CHARGE

Juvenile Court authorities declare that Howard Wheelen, 17, near Cedarville, arrested by H. A. McLean, marshal of Cedarville, Thursday, has confessed to the theft of several wrenches and a lubricator for a tractor from the farm of Frank Powers, near Gladstone, last Sunday.

The youth was brought to Xenia and placed in the County Jail Friday by Probation Officer J. E. Watts. He is expected to be arraigned on a delinquency charge in Juvenile Court next week.

According to Officer Watts, Wheelen was placed on probation by the court last August 2 after having confessed to the theft of auto accessories from the farm of Clifford Bull, near Cedarville.

BOWERSVILLE

Miss Mary Middleton spent the week end with her friend, Miss Geneva Cline.

Mrs. Emma Osborn of Muskingum, Mich., is spending a few days with her cousin, Mrs. Hattie Hunt.

Mrs. Mandy Lewis is still slowly improving from her recent sickness.

A basketball game between the three teams from Yellow Springs will be played here this Friday evening.

On Wednesday of last week about ninety-five friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Sam Cummings, who was recently hurt very seriously in an auto accident and shucked and cribbed his corn, cut some trees into fire wood and put it in his shed and did many other things for his advantage. We are glad to hear that he is slowly improving.

Mrs. Frank Stewart is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Oren Collins of Lebanon, Ohio.

Mr. Wilbur Ross has arrived home for Christmas with his mother and other relatives.

There are several cases of chicken pox in this vicinity.

Remember the Christmas programs this Sunday evening at the Church of Christ also M. E. Church of this place.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR JOHN SIMISON MONDAY AFTERNOON

Funeral services for John A. Simison, 62, well known Xenian, who died at his home on Dayton Ave., Thursday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock, will be held at the Masonic Temple Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with burial in Woodland Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Simison home, any time Sunday. Mr. Simison's death followed a long illness. He was for a number of years connected with the Xenia Shoe Manufacturing Co., for a time operated a shoe repair shop and tire shop here and in recent years was employed as ticket agent in the Xenia office of the Dayton and Xenia Traction Co.

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Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Orpha M. Simison, and the following children: John A. Simison, Jr., and Jennings of this city; Mrs. Harry McCuddy, Mrs. Ruth Fisher and Mrs. Elsie Browne of Los Angeles, Cal. Another daughter, Eleanor, died two years ago.

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FOUR MASSES TO BE SAID ON CHRISTMAS

Seasonal greetings are extended to members of the congregation of St. Bridget Church by the pastor, the Rev. David Powers, in his annual Christmas message received by parishioners this week.

The Rev. Father Power reminds his congregation of the spiritual significance of the celebration of Christmas as the birthday of Christ.

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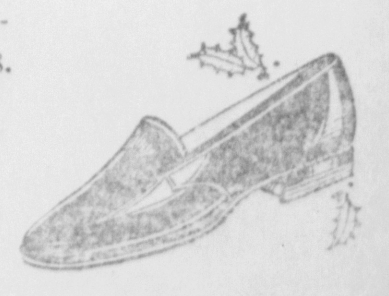
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Gift Suggestions -- First Floor

- Nifty Compacts
- Silk Umbrellas
- Hand Bags
- Choice Perfume
- Warm Blankets
- French Kid Gloves
- Rayon Bed Spreads
- Linen Table Cloths
- Linen Sets, Towels
- Costume Jewelry
- Boxed Stationery
- Toilet Sets
- Men's Hosiery
- Indian Robes

Silk Hosiery Boxed

- Hand Made Handkerchiefs
- New Comfy Slippers
- Wardrobe Trunks
- Fitted Bags and Cases
- Silk Scarfs for Men
- Silk Scarfs for Women
- New Suede Fabric Gloves
- Warm Underwear
- Silk Dress Pattern
- Children's Hosiery
- Embroidered Towels
- Coat and Dress Flowers
- Novelty Boxed Items

A New Spring Dress would be a splendid gift. Lace trimmed and tailored silk underwear always. Colorful Coolie Coats and padded robes. Novelty Pajamas of silk and cotton crepe. Children's Rain Sets, Sweaters and Dresses. Modart Brassieres in dainty shades. Knitted Woolen Shawls for Mother. Kimonos and robes of silk, cotton, Rayon, wool. A warm stylish coat at reduced price. A fine Scarf. Very popular with spring garments. Children's Brushed Wool Sweater Sets. Our infants department ready with all manner of apparel and novelties. A real baby's department.

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- Nice Little Dolls
- Lovely Sets of Dishes
- Airplanes, Wagons
- Speeders, Tricycles
- Doll Carriages
- Christmas Trees
- Desks, Chairs, Tables
- New Floor Lamps
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- Smoking Sets
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- Games of Every Kind
- Books, Horns, Drums
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- Pianos, Trunks, Stoves
- Luggage of Every Kind
- Lovely Wax Flowers
- Sewing Cabinets
- Dutch Silverware
- Imported Tea Sets
- Vases from Japan
- Potted Artificial Flowers

Central Buccaneers Play Wilmington Friday

SPORT SHOTS

FRAMED BY PHIL

An article in the Wilmington News-Journal, intimates that Leesburg High, defeated by Xenia in the opening basketball game last Friday, received anything but a square deal as far as the referee was concerned. The article says: "Wilmington High cagers will get a real pre-league test Friday night. The Orange Hurricane journeys to Xenia, where Central will test its best strength. A victory for Nowald's men will put them up to a ranking where they can be considered as a threat at least in the 1928-29 S. C. O. L. race. Nowald would be wise in making sure of the official of the game, and it is known should inquire as to his reliability. Coach Pausch, Leesburg mentor, was highly displeased with the way his game at Xenia was handled last Friday. Pausch told us he was promised Joe Cox, of Ohio State, as an official. The referee called but three fouls on Xenia the entire game and the Burger mentor claimed they played practically first class football. Inquiring, Saturday morning, Pausch claims, he learned the official was a Mr. Henry, of Xenia."

As a matter of fact, Coach Pausch knew or should have known in the first place, that the referee of the Leesburg contest was declared to be satisfactory to both schools before the game was played. The game was handled by William Cox not Joe Cox and where the information was obtained that the name of the official was a "Mr. Henry" remains a mystery.

William Cox is assistant freshman coach at Ohio State University and his services as umpire of several Xenia home football games during the past season were found satisfactory by opponents. Joe Cox is a student at Ohio State University and a Dayton boy. As a student and member of Ohio State's basketball squad this season, it is difficult to conceive how the Leesburg coach could believe that Joe Cox would officiate the game.

Friday's contest with Wilmington will be handled by Dr. David Reese, Denison University graduate and a Dayton dentist. Besides being a member of the Miami Valley Officials' Association, he has a widespread reputation in Ohio athletic circles for his fair dealing. That he would be prejudiced can be dismissed as not worthy of consideration. Also Reese has been voted a satisfactory official for the game by Wilmington High School officials, a customary detail before each game.

As to any intentional prejudice on the part of William Cox in favor of Xenia in the Leesburg contest, there certainly could be little, if any personal interest on the part of the referee. He is practically a stranger to Xenia fans. It is true that three personal fouls were called on Xenia and eleven on Leesburg, but the game was a fast and furious affair, particularly in the last half, and more fouls could easily have been called on both teams. It is not unusual that one team violates court etiquette more frequently than the other. Is it necessary, out of courtesy to the visiting team, to call more fouls on the home team? Would it be unfair if the number of personal fouls called did not break about even for both teams? The incident, of course, is small but the article sounded significant and the intonation is rightly resented locally.

Sportistory

Friday, December 21

1888—Cy Williams, veteran Philadelphia outfielder, born in Wadena, Ind.

1901—Ben Taylor wins on a foul from Sandy Ferguson in five rounds in England.

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1925—Jack Gross defeats Quintin Romero Rojas in eight rounds at New York.

FRIDAY SHORTEST DAY; WINTER HERE

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 21.—This is the time of the winter solstice. At this particular moment, so scientists have calculated, the earth's axis forms an angle of twenty-three degrees and seven minutes from the perpendicular, with the North Pole furthest away from the course of heat.

The earth started swinging in that direction at the time of the autumnal equinox on Sept. 23.

This swaying of the earth, which causes the seasons, gives the sun the effect of moving from north to south and back again.

Today also was the shortest day of the year and winter will arrive officially at 9:04 p. m.

ZONING ORDINANCE HAS BEEN ADOPTED

A zoning ordinance for Yellow Springs has been adopted by the village council.

Under the ordinance, which provides for the regulation of building in residential districts, it is not permissible to erect filling stations and other undesirable buildings in the residential district.

Billy Southworth, manager of Rochester (N. Y.) Red Wings last season, has been named to succeed Bill McKee as pilot of the St. Louis Cardinals.

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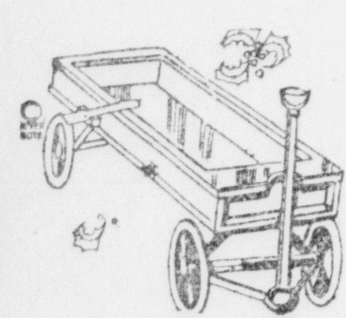
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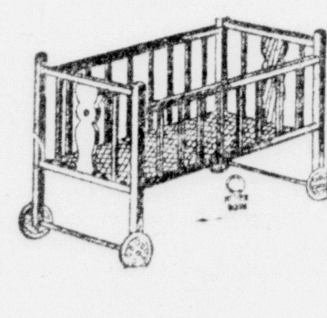
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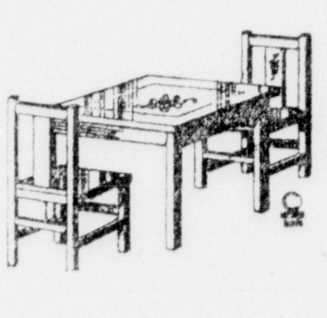


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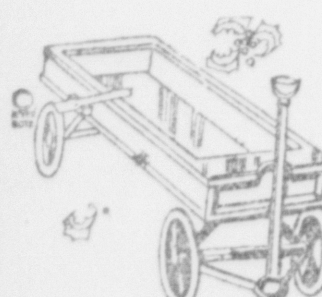
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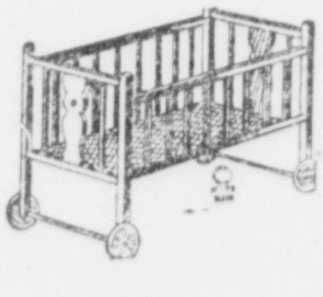
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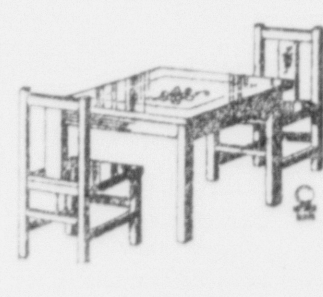


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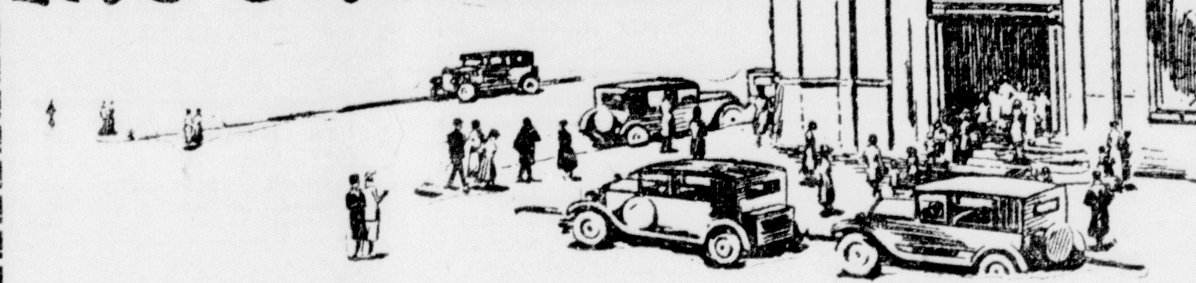
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Worship and sermon, 11 a. m. Rev. A. W. Cromwell will bring the Christmas message at the morning service.
Evening worship 7:30.
Rev. George Matthews will be the speaker, Christian Endeavor, 6:30. The topic, "Worshiping Christ in Story and Song," will be discussed by Mr. Harry Roberts of Wilberforce University.
Come and make this last service of the year worth while. The church will be a welcome.

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2 p. m. Platform service.
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Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.
Christmas program Monday evening at 7:30.
Everybody welcome.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH
W. Second St.
W. N. Shank, Pastor

"None is so poor that he cannot give something at this season of the year."
Sunday School hour is 9:15. The children will have charge with the children's program.
The choir will give Christmas music at 10:30 the hour of worship.
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Epworth League at 6:30 with a Christmas program.
"Merry Christmas to friends! Merry Christmas to foes! The world's bright with joy. So forget all your woes!"

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Christmas cantata Friday evening, December 21 at 8 p. m.
Sunday services 9:30 to 11:30.
Sunday School 9:30-10:30.
Worship period 10:30-11:30.
Junior and Senior Endeavor 6:30 p. m.
Evening services 7:30 p. m.
Pastoral committee will meet at the Parsonage Tuesday evening, 7:30.
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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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Wednesday, Dec. 26—Prayer meeting. Devotional study of Romans, chapter 19.
The public is cordially invited to attend all these services.

FIRST U. P. CHURCH
E. Market near Collier
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9:45 a. m. The Bible School. Classes for all ages.
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6:00 p. m. The Y. P. C. U.
Notice: The hour of morning worship has been advanced from 11 a. m. to 10:45 a. m.

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Lesson I. Paul in Ephesus—Here we see Paul's humanness. The great bonfire of magical books proved that Christianity can conquer superstition and greed.

Lesson II. Paul and the Stewards—The greatest of all spiritual gifts is love. Love wins where money shows gifts fail, as the sunshine accomplishes more than the wind. Love is LIFE.

We are responsible for the best possible use of all our gifts. When Christians have thoroughly learned the lesson of stewardship, the church will win the world.

Lesson IV. Paul's Last Journey to Jerusalem. Every good shepherd like Paul, is an understanding of the dangers ahead; where there are sheep, there are wolves. Dangers arise without the church, but even more serious ones arise within, and therefore, these elders are bidden to "watch."

Lesson V. Law Enforcement—World's Temperance Sunday.—If Paul urged the Christians of his day to obey the law, how much more should we represent the divine principle of law, how strongly he would insist on the observance of the wise and humane laws of our times and our land.

Lesson VI. Peace and good will among men. Paul would couple the war against war as the second great reform movement of the day. As war is the great international sin, so the peace movement is the only international safety.

Lesson VII. Paul's experiences in Jerusalem—Mobs, mistaken, misled, and murderous. The mob spirit does not reason, it only hates. It slew the Son of God.

Lesson VIII. The Prayers of Paul—The Christian's mightiest arm is prayer. Paul's prayers poured from his life, as all true prayers do.

Lesson IX. Paul before his judges. Think of the men—weak, cruel, contemptible—who had the power to judge and condemn the king of men St. Paul. But Paul's judges were themselves judged by Paul's master. Any hearer is an opportunity for Paul.

Lesson X. Paul goes to Rome. Paul faced storms all through his life but the storms did not get inside him. A chain makes a good line with Paul at one end and the gospel at the other.

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2. How could one man achieve so much? What was the secret of his greatness?

3. What were some of his problems? Some of his achievements?

4. What is most interesting and inspiring to you in Paul's life?

5. Why is Christian work the greatest enterprise in the world?

6. What advantages and obligations has an educated man today in Christian work?

7. How does Paul rank as a letter writer?

8. To what extent or in what ways can we follow the steps of Paul?

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D. J. BONZO, Parole and Record Clerk. (12-21-14-21)

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DITCH SALE

Scaled bids will be received at the office of the County Surveyor, in the Court House, Xenia, Ohio, until 10:00 o'clock A. M.

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YES—BUT WHAT COUNTRY?

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LET'S LIVE! MILDRED LAMB

READ THIS FIRST: Byrd and Larry Browning had been married only a short time. It had been love at first sight between a man who wanted life to move swiftly and excitingly and a girl of golden beauty. Simply brought up in a small town, who expected to settle down and have a home and children.

There were many things that threatened their happiness right from the beginning. Larry's partnership with unscrupulous men in a speculative venture, involving the stock of the Builders Supply Company, Larry's continual visits from Byrd's father, who was president of a bank in Jackson, Ohio, the suggestion of parties with a fast-moving crowd, consisting of tiny and Fred Oberman, Jack and Margy Duncan, Chet Everson and India Campbell, a former sweetheart of Larry's, Larry's growing extravagance; his refusal to break off his intimacy with India; lastly, their increasing number of quarrels over bills, over liquor, over card games, over all sorts of differences.

Byrd's parents came to spend a week with them, before they left, it was arranged that Byrd's young sister, Pat, who was visiting the trail like the rest of these young ones, spend the summer with them.

Pat arrived, decked out like the rainbow and full of pep and with ideas of her own, and presented a new problem. Byrd's attempt to tone down her exuberant, over-dressed sister, brought Larry to Pat's defense. Byrd made an effort to plant some serious ideas into Pat's snoring, red head; but Larry not only did not co-operate, but took up in his pocket of the vanity case which she had found, since he could not afford to be dragged through the divorce courts. He forced his caresses on Byrd, who, while struggling with him, fainted. Just at that moment Larry and Pat burst in.

Byrd became more and more worried at the net Jack seemed to be weaving about her, at the bills that hadn't been paid now for months, at India's growing hold on Larry, at Pat's coming, which complicated things still further; Pat, with her red hair and love of speed.

Byrd tried to keep harmony between Larry and Jack, for a difference of opinion now would be disastrous to both of them. Byrd persuaded Pat to attend business school, but Pat wasn't enthusiastic, particularly when Byrd substituted a tailored outfit for the bright clothes she had just bought. Byrd discouraged a friendship which grew up suddenly between Pat and India. India had replaced the articles she had broken at various times during parties at the apartment, hoping to regain Byrd's confidence.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY CHAPTER XXIX

Abruptly Byrd took the receiver out of Pat's hands.

"Some swain, eh?" giggled Pat. "Methuselah's mustache! but you've stepped along since you're married!"

"Sh!" warned Byrd at the telephone. She carried on the conversation in monosyllables. "Yes. 'Any time.' 'All right.'"

"What's it all about, Uncle?" teased Pat. "You're certainly talkative at the telephone."

"A friend of Larry's wants to see me about a little business matter," Byrd explained, briefly.

Pat regarded her soberly, and with a very perplexed expression in her bright, blue eyes.

"If you hurry," coaxed Byrd, hurriedly, "you can get down to the first show. I'll finish the dishes."

"Oh, India said it's no fun going so early," answered Pat, easily, with her eyes still on Byrd. "We've planned to meet at nine o'clock."

Byrd didn't realize that a look of dismay had spread quickly over her face.

"Why, you ought to be back at ten," she said, slowly. "No girl your age ought to be running the streets at midnight. And tomorrow you're starting in to school. Call up India right away—"

"Stay on the side-lines, old dear," said Pat, serenely. "It's planned, and going to stay planned."

But Byrd's mind was already running on the object of Chet's visit. She certainly had too much pride to be silent longer on the subject of that loan of fifty dollars. She had promised to pay it long ago! Weeks ago!

"Pat dear, would you mind letting me have the money for some of the clothes you bought today? I had them charged to my account because it was simpler than paying for them. Sometimes it's easier to return things on a charge account. I'd like about fifty dollars to repay a loan, but please don't mention it to Larry."

Pat's eyes still held Byrd with their quizzical stare.

"I intended to send the bills to dad, but if it'll help you out, you can have it," answered Pat, getting her pocketbook.

"I'll go downstairs with you," said Byrd, a little later, although it was much too early for Pat to start.

But Chet arrived and Byrd realized it was too late to prevent Pat's knowing that he was the person who telephoned.

"Why are you running away?" asked Chet, as they were introduced. "I wish you'd stay. Perhaps we could all go to the theater or something."

Pat's face darkened.

"I'm afraid that would interfere with Byrd's plans," she said, with a sharp laugh. "She's been trying to run me out of the apartment for an hour."

Byrd bit her lip and was silent.

"You're way off your beat, like the night watchman on our street," laughed Chet. He tried to coax Pat to stay, but she was adamant. Byrd didn't try to take part in their conversation, but they were getting along so pleasantly that she was sorry she hadn't frankly told Pat about Chet and his coming to see her.

"That's some ringer of a sister of yours," said Chet, enthusiastically, after Pat had gone.

Then they sat down and talked like old friends. Byrd had a feeling that Chet was more comprehending than most men, and he looked at her often, she knew, with sympathetic understanding in his eyes, but his lips were sealed against blurring out her secrets.

"Here's the money I owe you," said Byrd, lightly, putting the greenbacks into his hands. "It kept slipping my mind or you would have had it long ago. Until Pat has a few friends of her own age, we'll have to provide some amusement for her," continued Byrd, "and you'll have to help."

"I'm not interested in the very young," laughed Chet. "As a matter of fact, I've very little time now for going the old pace."

Then his brow clouded.

"We had a sort of round table meeting the other day, all the men in our branches," Chet's usual paler became slightly diffused with color. Byrd guessed he was approaching some embarrassing subject, and surmised it was Larry's business. "It's rumored that the Builders' Supply stock is phony stock. Is there nothing we can do to get Larry out of it?"

Byrd shook her head. She had suspected that something was wrong with the stock for a long time, because they promised such large profits. Then she told Chet that Jack was himself considering getting out and dumping the whole thing on Larry's shoulders.

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NOTICE OF PAROLE

- John Morgan No. 58144 a prisoner now confined in the Ohio Penitentiary, has been recommended to the OHIO BOARD OF CLEMENCY, by the Warden and Chaplain of the Ohio Penitentiary as worthy of consideration for parole. Said application will be for hearing on and after January 26, 1929.

- L. J. BONZO, Parole and Record Clerk. (1928-1929)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

- DITCH SALE

- Sealed bids will be received at the office of the County Surveyor, at the Court House, Xenia, Ohio, until 10:00 o'clock A. M. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1928, for the construction of the LUCAS SINGLE COUNTY DITCH according to profile and specifications on file at the Surveyor's office. This ditch is located in Silver Creek and Jefferson Townships, Greene County, Ohio.

- The ditch is estimated as follows: SECTION NO. ONE, Length 13972 feet.

- LABOR

- 10844 cubic yards excavation at 50 cents \$5422.00

- Concrete wall 75.00

- Grubbing, clearing, removing fences and bridges 500.00

- MATERIAL

- 22 feet of 12 inch vitrified tile and 16 feet of 10 inch vitrified tile in place 15.00

- Total \$5987.00

- Each bidder must deposit with the County Surveyor cash or certified check for 5 per cent of the estimated cost as a bidding guarantee.

- Right reserved to reject any or all bids, or to accept any bid as deemed to be the best interest of the ditch.

- To be held until Jan. 1st, 1929. Xenia, Ohio, December 18, 1928.

- W. J. DAVIS, County Surveyor.

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WOULD YOU MIND TELLING HIM NOT TO FORGET TO PAY FOR ME TO-NIGHT?

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LET'S LIVE! MILDRED LAMB

READ THIS FIRST:

Byrd and Larry Browning had been married only a short time. It had been love at first sight between a man who wanted life to move swiftly and excitingly and a girl of golden beauty, simply brought up in a small town, who expected to settle down and have a home and children.

There were many things that threatened their happiness right from the beginning. Larry's parents were with them, Larry's parents were with them, Larry's parents were with them.

Pat arrived, decked out like the rainbow and full of pep and with ideas of her own, and presented a new problem. Byrd's attempt to tone down her exuberant, over-dressed sister, brought Larry to Pat's defense. Byrd made an effort to plant some serious ideas into Pat's smiling, red head; but Larry not only did not cooperate, but took Pat to a movie that night. Just as Byrd had settled down to the menial there was a knock at the door.

While they were gone, Jack Dun- can walked into the apartment, delighted to find Byrd alone.

Since Jack had been threatening to leave Larry at a critical period in their business venture, Byrd found herself in the equivocal position of being forced to accept his attentions. He further forced her to agree to explain to Margy the presence in his pocket of the vanity case which she had found, since he could not afford to be dragged through the divorce courts. He forced his caresses on Byrd, who, while struggling with him, faintly, just at that moment Larry and Pat burst in.

Byrd became more and more worried at the net Jack seemed to be weaving about her, at the bills that hadn't been paid now for months, at India's growing hold on Larry, at Pat's coming, which complicated things still further; Pat, with her red hair and love of speed.

Byrd tried to keep harmony between Larry and Jack, for a difference of opinion now would be disastrous to both of them. Byrd persuaded Pat to attend business school, but Pat wasn't enthusiastic, particularly when Byrd substituted a tailored outfit for the bright clothes she had just bought. Byrd discouraged a friendship which grew up suddenly between Pat and India. India had replaced the articles she had broken at various times during parties at the apartment, hoping to regain Byrd's confidence.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

CHAPTER XXIX

Abruptly Byrd took the receiver out of Pat's hands.

"Some swain, eh?" giggled Pat. "Methuselah's mustache! but you've stepped along since you're married!"

"Sh!" warned Byrd at the telephone. She carried on the conversation in monosyllables. "Yes." "Any time." "All right."

"What's it all about, Ee-nac-sious?" teased Pat. "You're certainly talkative at the telephone."

"A friend of Larry's wants to see me about a little business matter," Byrd explained, briefly.

Pat regarded her soberly, and with a very perplexed expression in her bright, blue eyes.

"If you hurry," continued Byrd, hurriedly, "you can get down to the first show. I'll finish the dishes."

"Oh," India said it's no fun go-

operate within the limits of the law, just inside the line. They may sell all of it and get away with it. If it pays a moderate income, and the company actually does enough business to continue existing, they can't be criticized. Everyone knows that he takes some kind of risk when he buys uninvestigated stocks."

"I hope when this is sold out, Larry will go into business for himself," said Byrd, tersely.

"Suppose I bring a nice young chap over tomorrow night," said Chet, as he was leaving.

Byrd was just about to take up her mending basket when her next door neighbor, Mrs. Arrowsmith, came in to borrow some lemons.

The Arrowsmiths were young and attractive, and their chief charm in Byrd's eyes was their common sense. They never attempted to conceal their economic, but frankly discussed all the little devices by which they saved their pennies.

They called one evening, but Byrd felt that Larry considered himself much superior, and so the acquaintance was not pressed.

Byrd and Mrs. Arrowsmith gossiped chummily at each other's doors.

"Some of the men from the office just dropped in, and we haven't a lemon in the place," laughed Mrs. Arrowsmith. "We can't give them anything but gin, for Dick isn't buying this bootleg stuff."

"I ran over for a second this afternoon, I wanted you to meet my sister, who has come for a little visit," said Byrd.

"We had a luncheon meeting at the Women's Civic Club. I'm always in something like that just to keep me posted on what's going on. The subject was 'Industrial House-keeping,' and I never dreamed so many women were interested and even informed on the subject. Why don't you let me propose your name for membership?" she asked, cordially.

Byrd shook her head. She knew she couldn't afford twenty dollars a year for dues, and Larry would ridicule the whole idea.

"I'll think it over," she answered. "I think I told you we started building our house this spring."

Mrs. Arrowsmith continued. "I'm going to be kept awfully busy running back and forth. It's just a little house, but I'm just as excited as if it was a French chateau."

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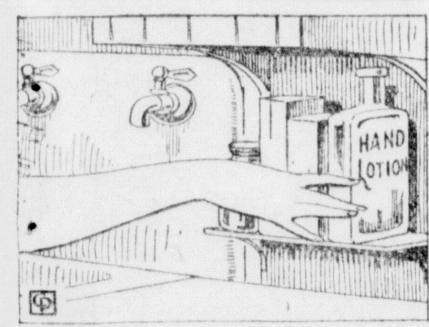
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MY COOK JUST LEFT.
AND I'M STUCK WITH THESE BEANS!

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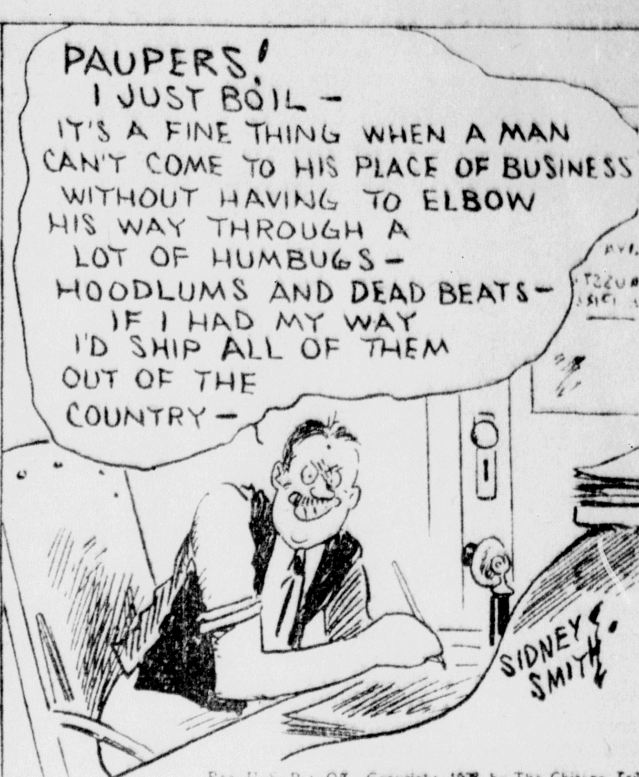
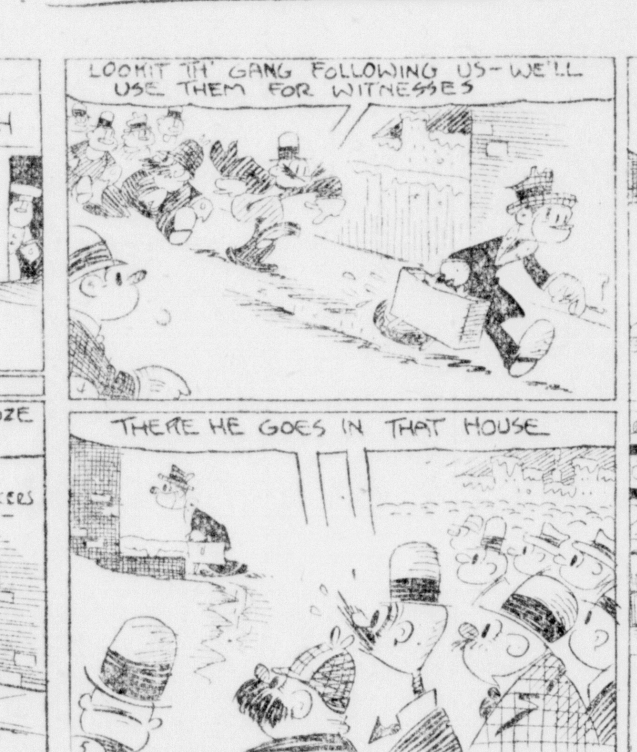
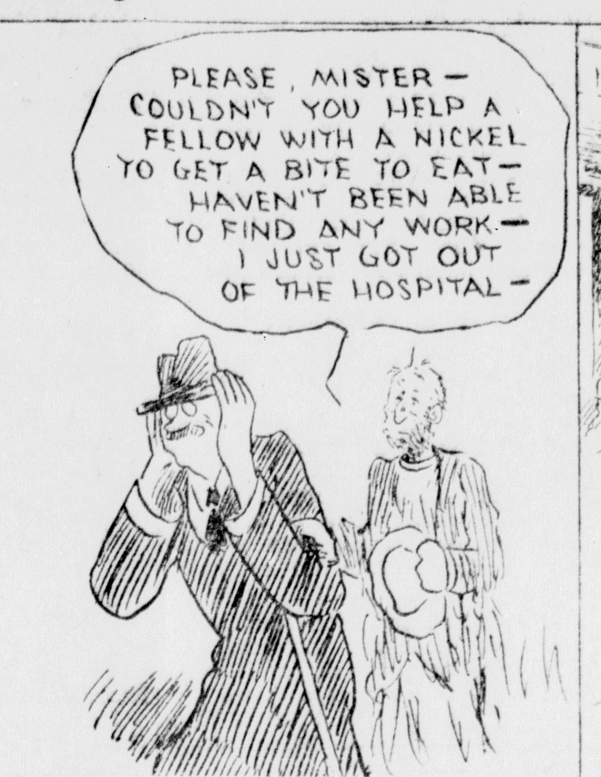
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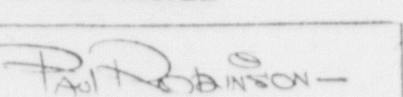
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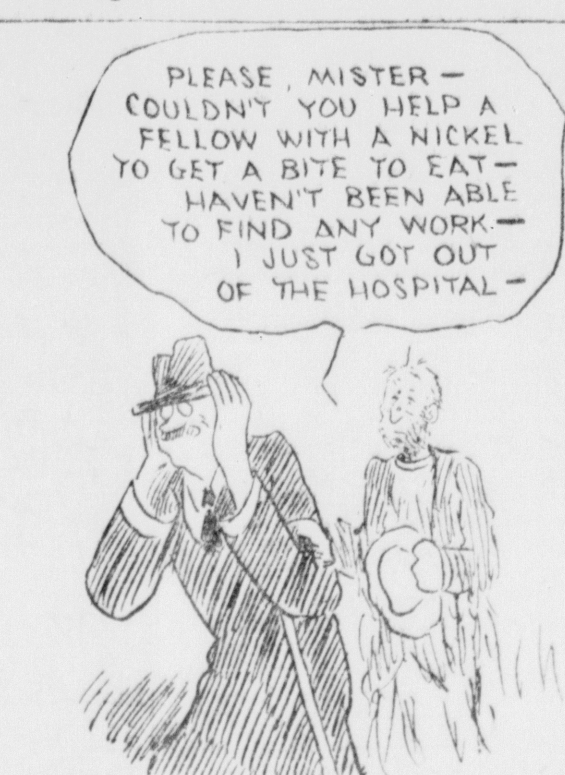
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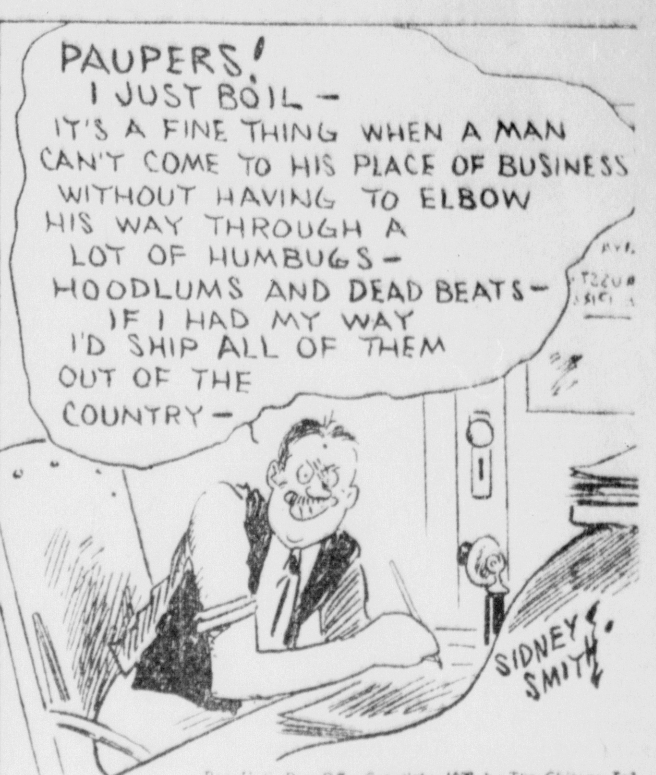
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Invocation..... Rev. W. N. Shank
Announcements..... Vincent Goller
Offertory—"Christmas Night"..... Miss Downing

Cantata
"The Messiah's Coming"..... Wildermere
First Methodist Episcopal Choir
Mr. Wm. Hugh Miller, Director
Miss Theda Downing,
Organist and Accompanist

Soloists—
Miss Keller, Soprano
Miss Hurley, Alto
Mr. Spahr, Tenor
Mr. Miller, Bass

Organ Prelude..... Miss Downing
"Hear the Song"..... Chorus and Miss Keller
Solo—"The Messiah"..... Miss Keller
"Christ, Our Light"..... Choir
Duet—"Life Without End".....

Messrs. Spahr and Miller
"Prophecies Fulfilled"..... Chorus
Trio—"Star of Love"..... Chorus
Miss Keller, Messrs. Spahr and Miller

Duet—"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us".....
Messrs. Keller and Hurley
"The Song of the Angels"..... Choir
"God's Wonderful Gift"..... Chorus
Benediction..... Rev. W. N. Shank
Postlude—"Fanfare"..... Jos. C. Bridge
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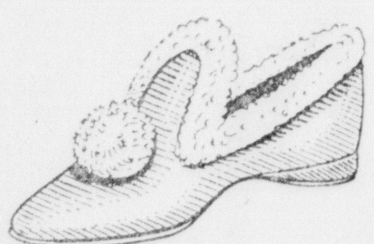
Lieut. Commander George O. Noville, U. S. N., who was flight officer on Byrd's trans-Atlantic plane "America," will be one of the operating officers aboard the British dirigible R-100 upon occasion of its voyage from England to Canada. The flight is set for early Spring.



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SALESMANSHIP OF PRINCE BIG ASSET TO LAST GREAT EMPIRE



Edward, Prince of Wales.

By ALEXANDER C. HERMAN
Staff Writer for Central Press and The Gazette

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Long before he was invested with the insignia of Prince of Wales, the eldest son of King George had become a prince of a fellow in the eyes of all his friends.

And therein, they say, lies the real secret of his universal popularity.

For in an age which looks not too kindly upon royalty, the position of heir to the last of the great thrones might not be so enviable.

Russia has cast aside its czar; Germany has put its kaiser out of business; Austria has become a republic; the kings of Italy and Spain have become but puppets in hands of dictators.

Even the British empire has been recast as a new political entity—the British Commonwealth of Nations. Yet the position of its royal family is as strong now as ever.

Charm of Prince Great

Its strength lies, for a great part, in the charm of its Prince of Wales. For he has "sold" his empire to himself and to the world.

And he began this salesmanship quite naturally while still a youngster at school.

When a naval cadet at Osborne, he found himself continually broke. The allowance that his parents sent never seemed large enough.

He made special appeal to his mother, but she promptly turned him down. She had sent him all the money that was necessary, and she was not going to spoil the boy—prince though he be.

So he sat down and wrote to his grandmother, Queen Alexandra, wife of King Edward VII. Back came an emphatic refusal and a stern lecture on the folly of extravagance.

But the youngster wouldn't be thwarted. He began a lengthy correspondence with his granny, asking many questions—but laying

it—A. M. Stevens of Yale, the hammer thrower; W. E. Schutt, Cornell's crack runner; D. G. Harrington, Princeton football player; G. E. Putnam of Yale and the University of Kansas; and L. C. Hull, Jr., of Michigan.

It was a classy organization, all right. And the prince was no slouch. But that cut little ice with Queen Mary. She did not want her boy pursuing pleasure instead of knowledge. So she had him transferred to Cambridge.

The war cut his schooling short. He went to the front—and served four years. In the army he was looked upon as a "regular—a true sport."

On his return, he employed only ex-service men. He became the most popular young man in the world. But acclaim did not swell his head.

His democracy, and unaffectedness, say absolute diplomats, insured the stability of the British throne. For monarchies were toppling all around the King of England. Royalty was being swept aside on every hand.

The prince then set out on his main business—selling his empire to the world. He went thousands of miles—every year to another place. Always he was modest, genial, smiling, not self-centered, but interested in those about him.

And never did he forget those fellow soldiers—many of whom made the sacrifice that he was not allowed to make.

Once in a small Canadian town, he spied a vet who had served with him. He asked about his brother. "He has been killed, sir," replied the surprised ex-service man.

"Well, I want to meet your par-

ents," said the prince. And away he went, disrupting a whole day's formal program, to pay personal tribute to the man and woman whose two sons had fought for the empire.

ANNOUNCE SERMON TOPICS FOR COMING PRAYER WEEK HERE

Final arrangements have been completed for the special week of prayer at the Presbyterian Church under auspices of the Xenia Ministerial Association.

Dr. William Crowe, St. Louis, is the speaker and announces the following subjects and dates.

Monday evening, December 31—"Christian Social Consciousness"

Tuesday, January 1—"Being a Christian—The Supreme Achievement"

Wednesday, January 2—Afternoon, 2:00—"Godliness vs. Religion" Evening—7:30 "Deliverance—The Major Theme of Faith"

Thursday, January 3—afternoon—"Honest Testimony—The Touchstone of Faith" Evening—"The Waterloo of Sin"

Friday, January 4—afternoon—"Songs of the Redeemed" Evening—"The Interpreter's House"

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been appointed: publicity, the Revs. H. B. McElree, Joel R. Lunsford; meetings, the Revs. J. P. Lytle, S. L. Brill, L. A. Washburn; entertainment, the Rev. H. B. McElree.

MAYOR'S COURT

FINES IMPOSED
Charged with possessing liquor, L. O. Clemmer was fined \$200 and costs by Mayor John W. Prugh

Friday morning. He pleaded guilty. The arrest was made Thursday night by Patrolmen Charles Thompson and J. E. Craig. P. E. Franks, 35, pleading guilty to a charge of intoxication, was fined \$10 and costs. Patrolman Fred Jones and Peter Shagin, motorcy-

cle policeman, made the arrest. Arrested by Shagin for speeding, Ford Jones, 30, forfeited \$5 bond.

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French Creams, lb. 18c

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Peanut Clusters, lb. 29c
Excella Chocolates, lb. box 25c

Marathon Cut Mixed lb. 15c

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I. G. A. Nut Margarine Highest Grade, lb. 20c

Dates Golden Hollowee, pkg. 15c Pitted, pkg. 22c

Swansdown Cake Flour Pkg. 29c

California Peaches Farm Pack Brand, Light syrup, No. 2½ can. 15c

Royal Baking Powder 12-oz. can. 45c 6-oz. can. 23c

Strawberry Preserves Pure 12-oz. jar 19c

Ginger Ale "E" Pale Dry 2 bottles 29c

Cakes Chocolate Marshmallow Bonbons, lb. 25c Sun Maid or Coconut Creams, lb. 25c

New Raisins Fancy New Crop 3 15-oz. Pkgs. 25c

"E" Coffee Tumbler Free. Lb. 49c

Jell-O or "E" Jelly Powder Pkg. 8c

Focke's Fresh Pork Sausage lb. 18c
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..... J. Flaxington Harker
..... Miss Downing
Hymn—"There's a Song in the Air"
..... Congregation
Invocation..... Rev. W. N. Shank
Announcements
Offertory—"Christmas Night"
..... Vincent Goller
..... Miss Downing
Cantata
"The Messiah's Coming"
..... Wildermere
First Methodist Episcopal Choir
Mr. Wm. Hugh Miller, Director
Miss Theda Downing,
Organist and Accompanist
Soloists—
Miss Keller, Soprano
Miss Hurley, Alto
Mr. Spahr, Tenor
Mr. Miller, Bass

Organ Prelude.....Miss Downing
"Hear the Song"
..... Chorus and Miss Keller
Solo—"The Messiah"
..... Miss Keller
"Christ, Our Light"
..... Choir
Duet—"Life Without End"
..... Messrs. Spahr and Miller
"Prophecies Fulfilled"
..... Chorus
Trio—"Star of Love"
..... Miss Keller, Messrs. Spahr and Miller
Duet—"Saviour, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"
..... Misses Keller and Hurley
"The Song of the Angels"
..... Choir
"God's Wonderful Gift"
..... Chorus
Benediction.....Rev. W. N. Shank
Postlude—"Fanfare"
..... Jos. C. Bridge
..... Miss Downing

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To Navigate R-100



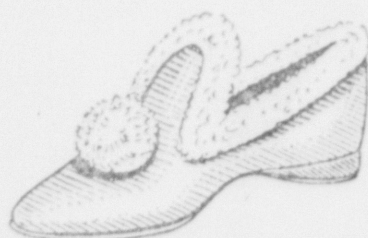
Lieut. Commander George O. Noville, U. S. N., who was flight officer on Byrd's trans-Atlantic plane "America," will be one of the operating officers aboard the British dirigible R-100 upon occasion of its voyage from England to Canada. The flight is set for early Spring.



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SALESMANSHIP OF PRINCE BIG ASSET TO LAST GREAT EMPIRE



Edward, Prince of Wales.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Long before he was invested with the insignia of Prince of Wales, the eldest son of King George had become a prince of a fellow in the eyes of all his friends.

And therein, they say, lies the real secret of his universal popularity.

For in an age which looks not too kindly upon royalty, the position of heir to the last of the great thrones might not be so enviable. Russia has cast aside its czar; Germany has put its kaiser out of business; Austria has become a republic; the kings of Italy and Spain have become but puppets in hands of dictators.

Even the British empire has been recast as a new political entity—the British Commonwealth of Nations. Yet the position of its royal family is as strong now as ever.

Charm of Prince Great

Its strength lies, for a great part, in the charm of its Prince of Wales. For he has "sold" his empire to itself and to the world.

And he began this salesmanship quite naturally while still a youngster at school.

When a naval cadet at Osborne, he found himself continually broke. The allowance that his parents sent never seemed large enough.

He made special appeal to his mother, but she promptly turned him down. She had sent him all the money that was necessary, and she was not going to spoil the boy—prince though he be.

So he sat down and wrote to his grandmother, Queen Alexandra, wife of King Edward VII. Back came an emphatic refusal and a stern lecture on the folly of extravagance.

But the youngster wouldn't be thwarted. He began a lengthy correspondence with his granny, asking many questions—but laying

off any mention of financial embarrassments. The queen was touched. And she replied immediately.

Came another letter, and another. And soon her royal highness was kept busy writing to her grandchild almost daily. She was overwhelmed with the boy's devotion.

When he finished his prep schooling, Edward went to Oxford. There he joined the Bullington club—famous for its "blinds" nights of song and drinking.

Naturally, the young man joined in with the rest. But Queen Mary, his mother, was not so keen about it.

The Bullington club originally was known as the Christ Church Drinking club—and was the most exclusive institution in all Oxford. Five Americans have belonged to

It—A. M. Stevens of Yale, the hammer thrower; W. E. Schmitt, Cornell's crack runner; D. G. Hering, Princeton football player; G. E. Putnam of Yale and the University of Kansas; and L. C. Hull, Jr., of Michigan.

It was a classy organization, all right. And the prince was no slouch. But that cut little ice with Queen Mary. She did not want her boy pursuing pleasure instead of knowledge. So she had him transferred to Cambridge.

The way cut his schooling short. He went to the front—and served four years. In the army he was looked upon as a "regular—a true sport."

On his return, he employed only ex-service men. He became the most popular young man in the world. But acclaim did not swell his head.

His democracy, and unaffectedness, say absolute diplomats, insured the stability of the British throne. For monarchies were toppling all around the King of England. Royalty was being swept aside on every hand.

The prince then set out on his main business—selling his empire to the world. He went thousands of miles every year to another place. Always he was modest, genial, smiling, not self-centered, but interested in those about him.

And never did he forget those fellow soldiers—many of whom made the sacrifice that he was not allowed to make.

Once in a small Canadian town, he spied a vet who had served with him. He asked about his brother.

"He has been killed, sir," replied the surprised ex-service man.

"Well, I want to meet your par-

ents," said the prince. And away he went, disrupting a whole day's formal program, to pay personal tribute to the man and woman whose two sons had fought for the empire.

This was no mere gesture. The prince's sincerity is too great for that. But by these side-slights, he has won the acclaim that makes him the most popular Prince of Wales, a prince of a fellow—all ways.

ANNOUNCE SERMON TOPICS FOR COMING PRAYER WEEK HERE

Final arrangements have been completed for the special week of prayer at the Presbyterian Church under auspices of the Xenia Ministerial Association.

Dr. William Crowe, St. Louis, is the speaker and announces the following subjects and dates.

Monday evening, December 31—"Christian Social Consciousness"

Tuesday, January 1—"Being a Christian—The Supreme Achievement"

Wednesday, January 2—Afternoon, 2:00—"Godliness vs. Religion." Evening, 7:30—"Deliverance—The Major Theme of Faith."

Thursday, January 3—afternoon—"Honest Testimony—The Touchstone of Faith." Evening—"The Waterloo of Sin."

Friday, January 4—afternoon—"Songs of the Redeemed." Evening—"The Interpreter's House."

The following committees have

been appointed: publicity, the Revs. H. B. McElree, Joel R. Lunsford; meetings, the Revs. J. P. Lytle, S. L. Brill, L. A. Washburn, entertainment, the Rev. H. B. McElree.

All the union services will be held at the Presbyterian Church. The first service will be Sunday evening, December 30 at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. Carl H. White, of Yellow Springs, will preach Dr. Crowe will arrive Monday and preach each evening. It is hoped that all church organizations of every church will co-operate by concentrating on these meetings.

MAYOR'S COURT

FINES IMPOSED
Charged with possessing liquor, L. O. Clemmer was fined \$200 and costs by Mayor John W. Prugh.

Friday morning. He pleaded guilty. The arrest was made Thursday night by Patrolmen Charles Thompson and J. E. Craig. F. E. Banks, 35, pleading guilty to a charge of intoxication, was fined \$10 and costs. Patrolman Fred Jones and Peter Shagin, motocy-

cle policeman, made the arrest. Arrested by Shagin for speeding, Ford Jones, 30, forfeited \$5 bond.

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Royal	Baking Powder	12-oz. 45c 6-oz. 23c
Strawberry	Preserves	Pure 12-oz. jar 19c
Ginger Ale	"E" Pale Dry	2 bottles 29c
Cakes	Chocolate Marshmallow Bonbons, lb.	25c
	Sun Maid or Coconut Creams, lb.	25c
New Raisins	Fancy New Crop	3 15-oz. Pkgs. 25c
"E" Coffee	Tumbler Free. Lb.	49c
Jell-O or "E" Jelly Powder	Pkg.	8c
Focke's Fresh Pork Sausage	lb.	18c
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